

Species IV directed to Fig. 6.

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 121, the Examiner requires Applicants to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

Applicants elect the invention of Species I directed to Figs. 1-3. Claims 1, 3, 5-15, 18 and 23-29 are readable thereon. Since claim 1 is generic to all species, the Examiner is requested to consider the remaining species upon allowance of generic claim 1.


Favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Marc S. Weiner (Reg. No. 32,181) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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